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- 1. ON NIMBUS MISSION 3093 SYSTEM 9 LIGHT INDICATING LOCK ON LLUMINATED WHILE TANKER WAS IN CHASE PORTION OF RENDZ WITH ARTICLE. LIGHT WAS ON FOR APPROX 4 MIN AND WENT OFF AS TANKER PULLED UP ALONGSIDE THE RECEIVER. TANKER RADAR OPERATOR EXPERIENCED CONSIDERABLE SPOKING WHILE ATTEMPTING TO SKIN PAINT THE ARTICLE WHICH DIDNOT CLEAR UP UNTIL WITHIN 3 TO 4 NM OF RECEIVER. RADAR OPERATOR DESCRIBED SPOKING AS SIMILAR TO HEAVY INTERFERENCE OFTEN EXPERIENCED WHEN TAXING OUT BEHIND A B-52 WITH RADAR ON. TANKER RADAR WAS OPERATING IN SWEEP SCAN ON 3/30 NM RANGE AND WAS 1000 FT EELOW THE RECEIVER.
- 2. FIRST OF TWO 102°S MADE A WIDE PASS AT THE ARTICLE REMAINING APPROX A HALF MILE OFF TO THE SIDE AND LIGHT DID NOT ILLUMINATE.

 SECOND 102 FOLLOWED ARTICLE IN CLIMB AFTER COMPLETION OF REFUELING.

 SYSTEM 9 LIGHT CAME ON AT BASE MINUS 2 AND STAYED ON UNTIL BASE



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FLUS 8. OBSERVED THE FIGHTER IN THE MIRROR CONSIDERABLY ELOW HIM BUT CLIMBING STRAIGHT TOWARD HIM, HE OBSERVED HIM FALL OFF ON A WING AT A POINT ROUGHLY ESTIMATED AS TEN THOUSAND FEET BELOW HIS ALTITUDE AS HE PASSED THRU BASE PLUS 8 CLIMBING. THE LIGHT DID NOT ILLUMINATE AT ANY OTHER TIME DURING THE MISSION.

END OF MESSAGE

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